

# Printing Process Errors

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## The Problem

Since the dawn of the printing press, brought to England by William Caxton in 1476, there have been many types of errors that have changed text as we know it. Less errors occur in the printing process today, but in the early history of the machine many errors were prevalent. How and why did these errors occur?

Focusing on the use of the printing press, brought to England by William Caxton in 1476; my central purpose of this project is to demonstrate the errors that can go wrong during the printing process. I would like to analyze

(from *The Canterbury Tales*)(18th Century edits) how these excerpts were edited, printed, in order to demonstrate all the errors that could happen from the editing, printing, to distribution process. I will go over definitions of different kinds of errors during the editing and printing process, such as: accidental versus